IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Attorney Docket No. 03493.81882)

In the Application of:)
CHIU, Angela, et al.)) Before the Examiner:
Serial No. (Unknown)) Before the Examiner.
Filed:)) Group Art Unit:
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN OF INTERNET PROTOCOL QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVISIONING) Group Art Omt.))))

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

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- 1. A. K. Parekh and R. C. Gallager, "A Generalized Processor Sharing Approach to Flow Control in Integrated Services Network: The Multiple Node Case," *IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking*, April 1994, pp. 137-150.
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- 3. J. Padhye, V. Firoiu, D. Towsley and J. Kurose, "Modeling TCP Throughput: A Simple Model and its Empirical Validation," *In Proceedings of Sigcomm* 98, pp. 1-12.
- 4. V. Jacobson, K. Nichols, K. Poduri, "An Expedited Forwarding PHB", *IETF RFC2598*, June 1999, pp.1-10.
- 5. S. Blake, D. Black, M. Carlson, E. Davies, Z. Wang and W. Weiss, "An Architecture for Differentiated Services," *RFC2475*, December 1998, pp. 1-36.
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- 7. J. Wrocławski, "Specification of the Controlled-Load Network Element Service," IETF RFC2211, September 1997, pp. 1-19.
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In accordance with MPEP Sections §609 and §707.05(b) it is requested that the documents cited by the Applicant be given thorough consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the Applicant's patent application by initialing on Form PTO-1449.

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determine the best prior art consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.104(a) and §1.106(b), and in the course of such search will review for relevance the documents cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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